



Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 1

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/657,479
Filing Date	9/8/03
First Named Inventor	ZEIBER
Art Unit	3753
Examiner Name	LEE
Attorney Docket Number	8195

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
KL		US- 5,937,899	08-17-1999	ZEIBER	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 5,709,243	01-20-1998	WELLS	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 6,095,190	08-01-2000	WILCOX	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 4,077,433	03-07-1978	MALDAVS	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 4,598,896	07-08-1986	MALDAVS	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 4,249,572	02-10-1981	SHINDELAR	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 5,730,185	03-24-1998	WILKINS	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 3,730,221	05-01-1973	VIKS	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 4,745,948	05-24-1998	WILCOX	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 4,881,573	11-21-1989	DURANT	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 6,116,277	09-12-2000	WILCOX	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 4,582,347	04-15-1986	WILCOX	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 3,981,479	09-21-1976	FOSTER	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 4,086,939	05-02-1978	WILCOX	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US- 4,303,098	12-01-1981	SHINDELAR	ENTIRE DOCUMENT
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				

Examiner Signature	<i>Kevin Lee</i>	Date Considered	9/17/04
--------------------	------------------	-----------------	---------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.